



San Antonio Police Department

Office of the Chief * Police Media Services * 214 W. Nueva St. * San Antonio, Texas 78207
Office (210) 207-7579 * Fax (210) 207-7567 * Dispatcher (210) 207-7484



Contact: Sgt. Gabriel Trevino Date: 10-02-03 Release No. 03-128

MEDIA ADVISORY

Non-permit Burglar Alarm Fee Increased

Effective October 1, 2003, any resident or business owner who operates a burglar alarm, which is not properly permitted, and whose alarm is found to be false, shall be charged \$25.00 for each alarm call. This new fee was approved through City Ordinance #98190, Article IV.

The San Antonio Police Department Alarm Unit will mail the resident or business owner a warning letter, a bill of \$25.00, and an alarm permit application. The San Antonio Police Department strongly encourages residences and business owners to get their alarm permits prior to the installation of an alarm or activation of their alarm systems.

The San Antonio Police Department responds to approximately 6,700 false robbery and burglar alarms annually at addresses where a valid alarm permit has not been issued.

For Immediate Release